

BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF ENFORCEMENT)	PDC CASE NO: 02-619
ACTION AGAINST)	
)	
St. Clair Woodworth)	Notice of Administrative
)	Charges
Respondent.)	
_____)	

IT IS ALLEGED as follows:

I.
JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction of this proceeding is based on Chapter 42.17 RCW, the Public Disclosure Act, Chapter 34.05, Administrative Procedure Act, and Title 390 WAC.

II.
LAW

RCW 42.17.240 Elected and appointed officials, candidates, and appointees—Reports of financial affairs and gifts, states in part: “(1) Every elected official and every executive state officer shall after January 1st and before April 15th of each year file with the commission a statement of financial affairs for the preceding calendar year...”

RCW 42.17.241 details the content required in each report.

WAC 390-24-010 Forms for Statement of Financial Affairs, states in part: “The official form for statements of financial affairs as required by RCW 42.17.240 is designated ‘F-1’, revised 11/97...”

III.

FACTS

The Respondent, St. Clair Woodworth, is a Commissioner for the Port of Sunnyside, P.O. Box 329, Sunnyside, Washington 98944. His term of office ends December 31, 2003. (**Exhibit 1**) Mr. Woodworth held office during 2001 and was required to file a Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC form F-1) by April 15, 2002. The F-1 report was not filed. On May 6, 2002, St. Clair Woodworth was sent a reminder letter informing him that the F-1 report due by April 15, 2002, had not been received. (**Exhibit 2**) The F-1 report due April 15, 2002 has not been received.

Past History – On August 7, 2001, the PDC sent a Notice of Administrative Charges in Case No. 01-679 to St. Clair Woodworth alleging that he failed to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement by April 16, 2001. On August 31, 2001, an order was entered finding Mr. Woodworth in violation of RCW 42.17.240 and assessing a civil penalty of \$1,000.00. \$500 was suspended on the condition the Respondent commits no further violations of RCW 42.17 for a period of three years from the date of the order. The PDC's decision is set forth in its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order sent to Mr. Woodworth. The assessed penalty in Case No. 01-679 was turned over to the Attorney General's Office for collection on January 30, 2002, and remains unpaid.

On October 6, 2000, the PDC sent a hearing notice in PDC Case No. 01-128 to St. Clair Woodworth alleging that he failed to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement by April 17, 2000. On December 4, 2000, an order was entered finding Mr. Woodworth in violation of RCW 42.17.240 and assessing a civil penalty of \$500. The PDC's decision is set forth in its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order sent to Mr. Woodworth.

On October 22, 1999, the PDC sent a hearing notice in Case No. 00-205 to St. Clair Woodworth alleging that he failed to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement by April 15, 1999. On November 19, 1999, an order was entered finding Mr. Woodworth in violation of RCW 42.17.240 and assessing a civil penalty of \$150. The PDC's decision is set forth in its Findings

of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order sent to Mr. Woodworth. After being sent to the Attorney General's Office for collection on February 22, 2001, the assessed penalties in Case Nos. 00-205 and 01-128 were paid on July 24, 2001.

IV.
CONCLUSION

Staff alleges, based on the facts specified in Section III, that St. Clair Woodworth has violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to file a Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC form F-1) by April 15, 2002.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 5th day of July, 2002.

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Director of Compliance